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Hon. James H. Welsh Commissioner of Conservation P.O. Box 94275 Baton Rouge, LA 70804-9275

RE: Wilcox A. Zone thru H Zones, Reservoirs A
West Catahoula Lake Field
LaSalle Parish, LA

<u>APPLICATION FOR PUBLIC HEARING</u>

Dear Commissioner Welsh:

Application is hereby made on behalf of Justiss Oil Company, Inc., P.O. Box 2990, Jena, LA 71342, for a public hearing to consider evidence relative to the issuance of an order pertaining to the following matters:

- 1) To grant an exception to the spacing provisions of Order 1298 so as to permit the drilling of the "Justiss Oil Company, Inc. A.G. Taylor #2" well at a location 613 feet from the West line and 125 feet from the South line of the Northeast Quarter of the Southwest Quarter of Section 34, Township 7 North, Range 3 East, Louisiana Principal Meridian, North of Red River Land District, LaSalle Parish, Louisiana.
- 2) To designate the Justiss Oil Company, Inc. A. G. Taylor #2 well as the substitute unit well for the Wilcox H, Reservoir A, Sand Unit 30 as defined and described by Order No. 1298 covering the Wilcox A thru H Zones, Reservoirs A, in the West Catahoula Lake Field, LaSalle Parish, Louisiana, at an exceptional location.
- 3). To designate and allow Justiss Oil Company, Inc. to operate and produce the Justiss Oil Company, Inc. A. G. Taylor #2 well as an alternate unit well for the Wilcox E. Reservoir A.

6) To consider any and all other matters which the Commissioner of Conservation may deem appropriate and necessary under the circumstances.

Order 1298 was promulgated by the Office of Conservation on March 11, 1986 establishing rules and regulations and creating drilling and production units for the Wilcox A thru H Zones, Reservoirs A, in the West Catahoula Lake Field, LaSalle Parish, Louisiana. The order provides that additional wells located in the West Catahoula Lake Field, within or outside any of the units created thereby, should not be drilled within 330 feet of any unit boundary or within 660 feet of any other well which has been permitted for, drilled to or completed in the same zone.

The Wilcox A thru H Zones, Reservoirs A in the West Catahoula Lake Field, was fully and completely defined by Order 1298.

The applicant attaches hereto a plat showing the proposed location for which this special permit is sought.

Inasmuch as the matters covered by this application do not require a pre-application notice, no such notice has been given and it is requested that the hearing be held after the necessary ten day delay following legal advertisement.

In accordance with the Rules of Procedure, the applicant has made a diligent effort to obtain the names and addresses of all interested owners and represented parties to whom notice of this application should be sent and a list of such names is attached hereto.

The applicant will also cause a copy of the legal notice to be published in a newspaper of general circulation in LaSalle Parish, Louisiana and shall post a copy of the notice in a prominent place in the LaSalle Parish Courthouse.

A copy of this letter, the attached plat and list of interested owners and represented parties is being sent to the District Manager of the Monroe District Office.

Also enclosed is a check in the amount of \$1,400.00 in payment of the required filing fees.

